

be passed until it has been published as required by this section for at least five days.

16. *Veto.* All ordinances and by-laws passed by the council shall be delivered by the city clerk at once, or as soon as conveniently may be, to the mayor for his approval. The mayor shall return the same to the city clerk within six days after delivery to him (inclusive of the day of delivery and of return) with his approval or disapproval. Any ordinance or by-law returned by the mayor without his approval shall not become a law unless subsequently passed at a meeting by four-fifths of the whole council within twenty days from the time of the return of the ordinance. If the mayor fails to return the ordinance or by-law within six days of its delivery as aforesaid, then the ordinance or by-law shall become a law without his approval.

17. *File of Ordinances.* Ordinances, when passed and approved by the mayor or when passed over his veto, shall be permanently filed by the city clerk in a book or books kept for that purpose.

18. *Ordinances to be Delivered to County Court.* The city clerk shall deliver to the judge of the People's Court of Wicomico County a certified copy of all ordinances for the violation of which the judge may impose a fine or imprisonment, or both, or other punishment. The judge shall take judicial notice of all ordinances so certified to him and of the due passage thereof.

19. *General Powers.* The council shall have the power to pass all such by-laws and ordinances not contrary to the constitution, the laws of Maryland, or this charter, as it may deem necessary for the good government of the city; for the protection and preservation of the city's property, rights, and privileges; for the preservation of peace and good order and for securing persons and property from violence, danger, or destruction; and for the protection of the health, comfort, and convenience of the residents of Salisbury and visitors thereto and sojourners therein.

ARTICLE III

THE MAYOR

20. *Term.* The mayor shall be elected as hereinafter provided and shall hold office for a term of four years or